#### UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20436

# MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION of the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress <sup>1</sup>

[Date approved: October 12, 2005]<sup>2</sup>

<b>Bill No. and sponsor:</b> H.R. 2009 (Mr. David E. Price of North Carolina).
Proponent name, location: Isagro-USA, Morrisville, NC
Other bills on product (109th Congress only): None.
Nature of bill: Temporary duty suspension through 12/31/2009.
Retroactive effect: None.
Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):
1-[2-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-3-(1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethoxy)propyl]-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,4-triazole (Tetraconazole) (CAS No. 112281-77-3) (provided for in subheading 2933.99.22).
Check one:  Same as that in bill as introduced.  X Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section).

#### Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

The subject synthetic organic chemical, generally known by its generic name Tetraconazole, is a systemic triazole antifungal, registered under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act for use on a variety of crops. Formulated fungicidal products based on the active ingredient Tetraconazole, such as Domark® and Eminent® are used to control economically important diseases such as *Phakopsora pachyrizi* (Asian rust) in soybeans and *cercospora* (frog eye) in sugar beets. Tetraconazole is imported from Italy.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at <a href="http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\_doc/bill\_reports/index.htm">http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel\_doc/bill\_reports/index.htm</a>

#### **Estimated effect on customs revenue:**

		HTS subheadin	g: <u>2933.99.22</u>		
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Col. 1-General rate of duty	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$7,400,000	\$2,300,000	\$2,750,000	\$4,400,000	\$6,600,000
Customs revenue loss	\$481,000	\$149,500	\$178,750	\$286,000	\$429,000

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry estimates.

## Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	US production of same or competitive product claimed?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Isagro-USA (Proponent) Denny Krass, 919-321-5202	8/15/2005	Yes	No	No
AtoFina Cerex Charles Kitchin, FAX: 703-527-2092	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Aventis Jean Reimers, FAX: 202-628-6622	8/30/2005	No	No	No
BASF Corp. Greg Thies, FAX: 202-558-5101	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Bayer Corporate Services Karen Niedermeyer, FAX: 412-777-4700	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Crop Life America Lawrence Norton, FAX: 202-463-0474	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Dow Agro Sciences Lisa Schrocter, FAX: 202-429-3467	8/30/2005	No	No	No
E.I. DuPont Nancy Johnson, FAX: 202-728-3649 Elaine Olsen, FAX: 302-992-2263	8/30/2005	No	No	No

FMC Corp. Jerry Prout, FAX: 202-956-5235	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Griffin Corp. James Whatley, FAX: 800-248-5154	8/30/2005	No	No	No
LANXESS Corp. Jamie B. Schaeffer, FAX: 412-809-3614	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Monsanto Corp. Michael Parrish, FAX: 202-789-1867	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Monsanto Corp. Linda Strachan, FAX: 202-789-1867	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Syngenta Mike Blythe, FAX: 336-632-6084	8/30/2005	No	No	No
Valent USA Robin Demouth, FAX: 925-246-2776	8/30/2005	No	No	No

## **Technical comments:**<sup>3</sup>

The Commission suggests that the article description on page 1 of this report be used in the proposed new heading in order to provide a more simple representation of the chemical name.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

# H.R. 2009

To suspend temporarily the duty on Tetraconazole.

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 28, 2005

Mr. Price of North Carolina introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

# A BILL

To suspend temporarily the duty on Tetraconazole.

1	Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
2	tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
3	SECTION 1. TETRACONAZOLE.
4	(a) In General.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of
5	the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is
6	amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following
7	new heading:
	" 9902.04.37 (+/-)-2-(2,4- Dichlorophenyl)-3-(1H- 1,2,4-triazol-1-yl) propyl,

1,1,2,2-tetrafluoroethyl ether (Tetraconazole) (CAS No. 112281–77–3) (provided for

- 1 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 2 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from
- 3 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after

4 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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